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(C) The UK will try to persuade Iceland not to withdraw its Mobile Liaison Observation Team from PRT Chaghcharan (reftel). Richard Rose of the Foreign and Commonwealth Office's Afghanistan Group told Poloff February 16 that the UK has been working with Iceland to increase military cooperation in Afghanistan, and provided Iceland a seat at last year's London Conference on Afghanistan on the basis of London's understanding that Iceland is committed to actively helping Afghanistan. Rose added that Denmark is also in a position to be very helpful in pressing Iceland on this matter.

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